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THE LICENSE INVESTIGATION. The resolutions for investigation by the

ven them brings them be- taken. e, as they will be before the when formally presented; and the proposition and its subject. The propriety of investigation, looking

toward a possible impeachment, turns entirely upon the question whether there is any proof or good reason to believe that the Judge, be that great or on the subject of nominations. law declares shall govern-not the discretion of the parties in

all the applications or none. The wide differences in the public mind on the license question, as shown in the struggle for and against prohibition, shows that thousands of people of undoubted mental soundness are wider apart from one another than Judge White's course would indicate him to be from either class of the extremists,

This brings back the question solely to whether there is proof or reasonable cause to believe in corrupt motives. Such a charge, if there was even prima facie support for oughly; but its very gravity imposes a most | service; and it will be held responsible by serious responsibility upon those who that sovereign power for the wrong done father it. To bring forward such charges to it. without evidence; to entertain or to circulate them merely as presumptions growing out of the disappointment of individuals, or out of differences of opinion as to the wisdom of the Judge's action, would be denied, it only remains to say a word or two simply a diplay of temper.

Not unlikely, in disposing of too many cases, some applications which might, with- hung out a red flag on commemoration day out detriment to the public interest, have in Chicago. The fact that he was rescued been granted were refused, and some which might better have been refused were possi- by the police is commented upon generally bly granted. But to meet such cases a re- as an indication of the virtue of the law. spectful demand for rehearings, strongly persisted in, is the only remedy.

It is also clear that, as was said concernand should be presented by some authority Beyond that, there is absolutely no evi- mobbers should reflect on this truth. dence before the public showing corrupt or dishonest action in the License Court. Until such evidence is produced the public, whatever the extent or warmth of the criticism upon the quality of a judge's discretion, will assuredly not listen to mere esumption of corrupt motives. Nor can a such a color to the proceedings unless there is definite proof to back the resolution up.

If there is such, the resolution is imme dintely in order. If there is not, the indiscretion of making such charges will throw into the shade any possible insufficiency of discretion on the part of the bench in acting dictions of that sort. upon licenses.

# GOWEN AND CARNEGIE.

Some interesting and important points argument before the Inter-State Commerce Commission on the case of Coxe Bros. against the Lehigh Valley Railroad Company. Mr. Gowen in his argument held, first, that anthracite coal should be classed

just these principles in the anthracite coal else. business, than Mr. Gowen. When he asserts that anthracite coal should be classed no higher than bltuminous coal, after having pursued the opposite practice for many years, as President of the Reading Railroad Company, the conviction of error which has led him to this conversion must be ver strong. It is also clear that no one can be better informed than Mr. Gowen of the devices of combination and compacts by which the charges upon anthracite coal have been maintained at excessive rates in order to pay the fixed charges on outrageously watered capitalization.

This develops another interesting point in connection with Mr. Gowen's position. Only a few weeks ago Mr. Gowen turned up his nose at the sincerity of Mr. Carnegie's attack upon the excessive charges of the Pennsylvania Railroad, on account of Mr. Carnegie's former 'course in railroad matters. The same logic, applied to Mr. Gowen's position, might be used to discredit his argument. But we have no sympathy with that class of carping. If Mr. Gowen has been wrong upon the subject of anthracite coal rates in times past, so much the more reason why he should be welcomed and indorsed now he is right; and the fact that he has become convinced of, and abjures his errors, when he reaches an unprejudiced condition, is so much the stronger argument in favor of his correction. By-

of equitable and reasonable rates. It is pertinent to point out to Mr. Gowen that both he and Mr. Carnegie occupy very nearly the same position. Whatever they have been in the past they are now championing the reform of abuses. Why should they not join hands with each other and the public in making their efforts as powerful

#### THE NEED OF THE EXPOSITION.

The authoritative announcement that \$150,000 is needed to complete the me-10 to chanical building of the Exposition, and that if that amount is promptly raised both buildings can be finished in time for the Exposition next fall, should spur the public 250 up to new efforts in be nalf of the common

The fact that the whole people are at the back of t he new Exposition was sufficiently shown ov the interest taken when the effort was made to complete the fund necessary or the main building. The people will not But the danger is that the necessity of having the money promptly on hand, in order House of Represer tatives into Judge White's action in granting licenses were shut merican,

as necessary to say something concerning sum can be raised, and it should be raised that some offensively partisan free trader within the next three weeks.

### PREROGATIVE AND DUTY.

Senator Daniels, of Virginia, in a speech responding to the toast of "The Senate" there was corrupt motive for his action, or this week, took occasion to say that when ministration is going to live up to its rule of any evidence that he was mentally incapaci- passing upon the President's nominations a very high and pure civil service in name. tated to exercise the discretion with which | for office, the Upper House does not infringe the lav invested him. Mere differences of upon his prerogatives or transcend its own opinion as to whether his decisions were when it differs from him. That is very the Secretary of War the other day, and wise or equitable on individual applications, true, but it does not at all relieve the Sen- commenced discharging the clerks and of course, affords no basis for even talking ate from the necessity of having very good making out new app impeachment. It is the discretion reasons when it differs from the President

The President does not transcend his pre rogative or infringe upon that of Congress when he returns bills that have been passed As to mental inespacity it would be by the Legislative body, without his signaequally idle to attempt to infer that from ture. But suppose the President should rethe Judge's action whether he had granted | turn a bill that had been passed by Congress with the information that he did so, fringes upon some of his personal tastes, or | for an era of reform. might do injury to some of his friends, we imagine that if the President should run the veto power on that principle, the Senators would indulge, not unjustly, in some

very vigorous denunciation. The Senate does not infringe upon the Presidental prerogative in rejecting nominations for trivial or selfish reasons, but it does worse. It infringes upon the prerogait, should be investigated at once and thor- tives, of the people which require faithful

# MORS AND ANARCHY.

The story of that tearing down of the British flag by the Pittaburg troops being of the rights and wrongs involved in the mobbing of the Chicago Anarchist who from serious injury at the hands of the mob The law did no more than its duty in such a case. If it does not protect every citizen equally from mob violence, the attacks of ing the investigation into the penitentiary, the Anarchist upon us would have a good the charges should show a definite basis, deal of foundation. It should be remembered that mob violence toward a man who that gives them at least a prima facie stand- hangs out an obnoxious flag, though ining. The fact that Representative Shiras spired by a higher motive and sentiment has his resolutions ready for presentation than anarchy, is exactly the Anarchist's creates a supposition that he has some evi- method. Whether mob violence is inspired dence to substantiate them. But it must by the sentiment of attachment to the Conbe pointed out that, so far as the resolu- stitution or of hatred to it, the result is the tions themselves show, they are very general cause of destroying the protection that it in terms and allege nothing specifically. gives all citizens. Both Anarchists and

# GERMANY'S BACK DOWN.

All that comes from Berlin with regard to the Samoan conference is hardly to be accepted as gospel. The report in yesterday's dispatches that the release of Malietoa will be followed by his restoration as ruler of the Legislative resolution for impeachment give | Samoan Islands, is more likely to be the product of imagination than founded on any action of the conference. It is not probable that Germany has so early in the conference commenced to give away points. Perhaps it may come later on, but it is rather too soon to commence making pre-

Nevertheless the release of Malieton to gether with the disavowal of most of the extreme acts of the German representatives at Samoa, indicate a willingness to undo much were made by F. P. Gowen, Esq., in his of what has been done that may lead to this end. The United States would certainly come off with flying colors if its stand in favor of restoring the old condition of affairs were to be adopted without some drawback that makes it an empty diplomatic victory, But it is not likely that Germany is going

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It is pleasant to learn from the New York Tribune that President Harrison's speeches at the Centennial were "perfect of their kind;" and also to be assured that the Mugwers in the Legislature convened last winter public sentiment throughout the State seemed to be in favor of high license. Several bills of that sort were introduced, and the good points of all were selected and incorporated in a measure known as the Deering bill, which fixed the license at \$2,500. This bill passed the House wump slander that Mr. Cleveland was received with greater enthusiasm at the banguet than General Harrison, is "absolutely fine cheapening the cost of fuel in the East. It is interesting to note that no one is better able to enforce this view, or is more fully and the new Minister to Paris would say that Germany is going to take the back track so completely without the Missouri Legislature. When the Legislature convened last winter public sentiment throughout the State seemed to be in favor of high license received a severe blow to night from the Missouri Legislature. When the Legislature convened last winter public sentiment throughout the State seemed to be in favor of high license received and high license received and high license received and high license received as vere blow to night from the Missouri Legislature. When the Legislature on the Legislature on the Legislature on the Legislature. When the Legislature on the Leg

informed with regard to the violation of and do if his paper were to say anything

THE cloudy nights have so far in this cold spell been the salvation of the fruit crops, from their enemy, the frost. Let us hope that they will continue that protection till the May weather has advanced to something like an approximation of the April warmth.

THERE is a short lesson on partisan journalism as an exponent of public feeling in the declaration of the Democratic press that, "In turning his back upon Dudley, President Harrison has confessed to corrupt use of money in Indiana." If President Harrison had taken Dudley in and provided for him, how the Democratic newspapers would have shouted that he was avowing himself as a partner and sharer in the spoils of bribery !

CHICAGO newspapers are at present engaged in publishing unreadable testimony in a scandalous divorce case by the pageful, and turning up their noses at New York for its indulgence in champagne at the Centennic! ball.

THE miners' request for a 74-cent rate throughout the year is so slight an advance upon the 7114 and 7614-cent rate that an agreement ought to be practicable. Supposing twice as much coal to be mined in summer as in winter, the difference in wages throughout the year would be little more gones should be bygones when a man cham- than a cent per ton. We do not believe pions the right of the people and the policy that the coal interests will be silly enough to drift into a prolonged strike over so small a margin.

> THE large amount of discussion which continues with reference to the arrival of

that island are not determined in chokers and spiketails, they shall not be settled at

THE water famine in Oklahoma is reported to be at an end. The people of the new section will, therefore, doubtless give their let the work be stopped for lack of funds. attention to relieving the dearth of more stimulating beverages.

IT is surprising and disquieting to find The wide publication heart and on which prompt action should be speaking of Iowa as "famous not only tor having more swine upon its farms than any Pittsburg could not afford, for ten times other State, but also for its great tariff ad-\$150,000, to let the enterprise tail now. That vocate, Senator Allison." Is it possible has got hold of the paragrapher's desk on our staid protectionist cotemporary.

> MR. ANGELL, having been appointed to office this week, it is evident that the ad-

THE man who walked into the office of ly arrested as a crank. The conclusion was doubtless correct enough, but the inference seems to be that the politicians who get charge of the departments in the regular way, and pursue the same course, have a monopoly of crankism.

IF after the Legislature has disciplined the Judges, the Judges could go to work because he does not like it, or because it in- and clean up the Legislature we might hope

IT is well to draw morals, but the conclusion of a Detroit paper that the Chicago disaster "shows the danger if not the folly of assembling vast concourses of people for sight-seeing or celebrating," is a little strange. We supposed that the danger and folly of weak structures where the vast concourse assembled, and letting off fireworks into a crowd, had a great deal to do with it.

# PERSONAL POINTS.

SECRETARY TRACY has returned to Washington from New York, and was at his desk

yesterday.
FIRST ASSISTANT POSTMASTER GENERAL CLARKSON has left Washington for Kentucky. He is expected to return next Tuesday. THE death has just been announced in En-gland of Thomas Palmer, the last survivor of the British troops that fought at Corunna. THE Hon. W. F. Vilas and family return this week from Washington to their Wisconsin home. Mrs. Vilas has almost entirely regained her health.

SECRETARY OF STATE FREDERICK COOK, of New York, who lies ill of pneumonia at the Gilsey House, New York City, was reported yesterday to be much improved in condition.

GOVERNOR HOARD, of Wisconsin, who has been attending the Centennial celebration, will now go up to Madison county, N. Y., to spend a couple of weeks with his sister and

PRESIDENT HARRISON seemed much less careworn during the Centennial celebration than he did at the inauguration. He is said to be very sensitive to the weather, and his mood depends greatly upon whether rain or sunshine is in the ascendant.

BARON ERLANGER, the Paris banker who has been looking at our railroad system, says:
"When my boys reach manhood I shall probably organize our business here in the shape of a branch house. I am charmed with America, THE reports of James Russell Lowell's ill-health led New Yorkers to fear that he was

really breaking down. But he showed no evidence of decline at the banquet on Tuesday night. He looks old and his hair has grown very white, but his voice was strong and he ed to be feeling well. THE late Carl Rosa was a "boy prodigy," and was billed at concerts as the "Juvenile Paganini." He married Mme. Parepa, his prima donna, during his first tour of the United States. He is said to have never taken a bene-

fit or testimonial in any form. Music was his profession, but politics and pictures were his SECRETARY WINDOW was indisposed vester day, as a result of his experience in New York, and did not go to the Department, nor did he attend the regular Cabinet meeting in the afternoon. He expects, however, to be able to assume his official duties to-day. Assistant Secretary Batcheller acted as Secretary of the

### Treasury yesterday. A BLOW TO HIGH LICENSE.

How a Bill That Caused a Scandal W

Defeated in Missourl. JEFFERSON CITY, Mo., May 3.—Temp

### THE TOPICAL TALKER.

Similarity is Handy—Produce Dealers Moving-Chevaller Scovel's Fortune. A FEW years ago there were two brothers at

A FEW years ago there were two brothers at an academy at Exeter, N. H. They were very much alike, but one of them was very smart and the other was equally stupid. The stupid brother, Tom, was particularly averse to classics, and besides, was a shirker of work generally. His brother, Henry, was on the contrary, a good classical scholar and fond of work. Tom would have had a very had time of it if it had not been for the good nature of his brother. It happened that the classical professor was a very short-sighted man, and he was entirely unable to tell these brothers apart. Of this failing of the professor Tom used to take advantage. Henry would naturally stand higher in the class than his brother, and he was always well prepared in his classical work. was always well prepared in his classical work. Henry would be called first in recitation, and soon as he had finished he would change places with Tom, and when Tom was called of course Henry would answer in his place. In this way Tom's ignorance and laziness passed It would be improper to give the circumstances minutely, but I know of two brothers, who by reason of their extraordinary similarity

in all respects, have produced confusion in their circle of life in Pittsburg times out of WHEN a certain firm of produce dealers loved from their small and incommodious marters on Liberty street, to a very much arger building than their trade seemed to re quire, they were laughed at by their brethren, and most gloomy prophecies were made of their speedy failure. For some time after they moved into it the firm certainly found the large building rather a "white elephant" on their hands. But as time went on they found that they could use a very large portion of it, and still have quite a considerable part left for cold storage vaults. The cold storage part of the scheme was really what brought this firm success. They soon built up a large trade in this direc-tion; and now it would not be surprising to hear

The principle declared by Germany in excluding two of our representatives at Berlin from a royal entertainment, because they did not have dress suits on them, is important. Swallow-tail diplomacy has not heretofore been very valuable in settling the Samoan question. but it is settling the Samoan question, but it is an undoubted fact that the produce trade now is very much cramped in this city by the meanness and smallness of its quarter will notice the city and its quarter and the city and the c

CHEVALIER EDWARD SCOVEL, the new tenor robusto of the Boston Ideals, is an Amer-ican despite his title. The title was conferred by that impecunious monarch, Humbert of Italy, on the occasion of Scovel's singing before him at a chamber concert. At that time the Chevalier was one of the principal tenors in Carl Rosa's Grand Opera Company in London, and was doing the continent for a vacation, He had never appeared professionally in America then, though he had won some considerable formers are executed.

SCOVEL, by the way, is a rather remarkable young man in more ways than one. He was a great society man before he went abroad, a worite with the ladies, and quite an howling swell. He married one of the aristocratic Roosevelt girls in New York, and with the marriage got an increase of \$80,000 per annum. Thus equipped he went abroad, studied and got to be one of the favorite tenors of English opera. He is a remarkably handsome man. While at Monte Carlo Scovel distinguished himself by breaking the bank at roulette, and since his return to America he has further distinguished himself by repeating the disinteg-rating process on numerous tender feminine hearts. It will be something out of the ordinary to opera goers to hear a tenor who is a real Chevalier di Italia, with an income greater than President Harrison's.

#### PINE BOUGHS IN HIS GRAVE. An Open Coffin and a Bed of Pine Needles for

Jennie June's Busband. NEW YORK, May- 3 .- David G. Croly, the editor, who died on Tuesday, spent part of the last two or three winters of his life at Lakewood, and grew to love its pines so much that he wished to be buried among them. So he bought a lot in Woodlawn Cemetery on the top of Stone Hill, from which the ocean steamships may be seen as they set out or return. And when he came to die he dictated to his

ships may be seen as they set out or return. And when he came to die he dictated to his wife how he wanted to be buried, either coffiniess or with his coffin open, so that his body would be in close contact with boughs from the pines he loved, with which he wished the grave to be filled.

He was buried yesterday in accordance with the instructions which he thus left in his widow's handwriting. The body was taken to Lakewood on the train which reaches there shortly before Il A. M. It was accompanied by Mrs. Croly (Jennie June), her son Herbert and two daughters, Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Ormsby, Jr., the last named of whom is Mr. Croly's sister, Mms. Domarest and Clinton Sweet, proprietor of the Record and Guide, of which Mr. Croly was editor.

Undertaker Westhall met the funeral party at the station with a hearse and two carriages. At the cemetery, a mile and a half distant, a grave seven feet deep had been dug at the foot of two tail pines. It was dug deeper than is customary, so that a bed of pine needles might be laid at its bottom. When the grave was reached the coffin, a plain wooden one, was taken out of the box which enclosed it and placed upon the stretchers which spanned the grave. The lid was then removed and the coffin was lowered into the grave. When this had been done pine boughs were laid over the body and across the sides of the coffin until the dead man was covered several inches thick with the sweet-smelling wood he had loved. On top of the boughs the coffin lid was placed, and the grave was filled with earth in the ordinary way.

# POOR PEOPLE'S PATRIOTISM.

It Surpassed That of the Wealthy at the New York Centennial.

NEW YORK, May 3.-The Evening Post has the following editorial upon the contrast be-tween the decoration in the rich and poor dis-tricts during the celebration just ended: "The recent celebration afforded a free! instance of the curious contrast always visible on such occasions between the poorer and the richer quarters of the city in point of lavish decoraquarters of the city in point of lavian decora-tion. All the meaner streets broke out in al-most universal array, while the fashionable parts of the town made but comparatively languid display of a flag here and there. We except the line of processions; this, of course, was decorated from end to end. But elsewhere the rule prevailed, and the poorer people oney and care not only relatively, but abso

money and care not only relatively, but absointely greater than was thought fit for finer
neighborhoods.

"Contrast, for example, the meager show of
the cross streets between Fourth and Sixth avenues, with the region below Fourteeauth street
and east of the Bowery. The east side was coverred with decorations, the whole expanse waving with flags and strips of gay celor, often ingeniously combined and draped, though poor
enough in quality of texture, while pictures of
Washington abounded in the windows. Scarce
any house or lodging was so poor as to be without some scrap of ornament. Indeed it seemed
that the poorer streets were brightest and the
dinziest of tenement houses outshone any of
of the great uptown apartment houses. The
nuiversality of the contrast which we have indicated was really striking, and it became still
more so when one reflected that it was the districts where our foreign population chiefly live
which made so great a show of patriotic sentiment, or at least of national feeling."

### A LITTLE BLACK PRIDAY one Hundred and Sixty-Two Democratio

Postmasters Behended. Telegram to The Dispatch. Bpecial Telegram to The Dispatch.

Washington, May 8.—It was "Black Friday" for 162 Democratic postmasters of the fourth class, to-day, which is the best record of a week, but which will fall considerably short of last week, unless Mr. Clarkson makes a grand spurt to-morrow. The following gentlemen were appointed for Pennsylvania.

John L. Martin, Beltzhoover: H. B. Cooks Bonney; D. A. Mickley, Cashtown; J. W. Ambler, Cosgrove: A. Myers, Hampton: W. H. ler, Cosgrove: A. Myers, Hampton: W. H. Covode, Ligonier; C. W. Ambers, Marionville; Henry C. Kooser, Mill Run; J. W. Barnits, New Oxford; Elizabeth Rodenberger, Pitman:

### th Weaver, Sycamore, and Isa DEATHS OF A DAY.

# THE PENNSYLVANIA BRIGADES.

ments on the Way They Looked in the New York Centennial Parade. From the New York World.

Governor Beaver led his Pennsylvania brig ades, accompanied by a gorgeously uniformed staff. The Governor sat on his horse with his one leg a great deal finer than many men can with two. As escort, he had the Governer's Troop, a fine looking body of men, and as they were armed with carbines in addition to their sabres, they were by no means holiday soldiers, being also wall mounted.

All of the Pennsylvania infastry were in heavy marching order and looked as though they were beginning a campaign, though the prudence of thus burdening the men in so long a march may be questioned. The Second Regiment were canvas gaiters and marched very a march may be questioned. The Second Regiment wore canvas gaiters and marched very steadily and were noticeable for their correct wheeling. The Sixth and Third regiments were without gaiters and looked better, as they swung along easily. The First regiment was a splendid body, the men being well set up, and they marched magnificantly. The State Fencilses and the Colored Light Guard looked neat, though Battery A, which completed the First Brigade, were a trifle rough in their makeup. The Ninth Regiment which led the Third Brigade, had a fine shrill notes. The Eighth Regiment were very good.

The Twelfth Regiment were a solid-looking body, and the marching was excellent. Their drum major was entirely too theatric with his baton, though his marvelous dexterity elicited applause. The Thirteenth Regiment were in too close order as they passed through the square, though the error was corrected soon after. Battery C marched as infantry and looked well in their scarlet facings. The Tenth Regiment was very sturdy.

The Eightheenth had a veteran sprinkling in its ranks, as was shown by the war flags carried beside the national and State colors; so it was no wonder that the men had a good swinging step. The Fifth were fine, but the platon of the back. In claimant had been notified of the back. In claimant had been notified of the back. In claimant, and was emunical to built was never extracted. The ball struck the spinal of the back. In claimant of the back. In claimath of the back, "and the ball struck the spinal door the back in the subsequent application in the states that "the ball struck the spinal of the back. In claimath of the back, "and the built was never extracted." The First was never extracted. The ball struck the spinal of the back in the subsequent application in th

#### WRITTEN BY GEORGE WASHINGTON, Letter Sent From Valley Forge by th Father of His Country.

ndence Philadelphia Press.] Having noticed the publication of several Washington manuscripts since the subject of this day's events has been the topic of conversation, I am moved by the spirit of the time to send you this day a correct copy of one of the most interesting of Washington's official let-ters, written at Valley Forge, with a postscript of later date, both of which were written and with other very interesting though shorter manuscripts, was in the cabinet of the late Edward J. B. Thomas, and are still in the pos-session of his family, 3446 Chestnut street, Philadelphia.

### HEAD QUARTERS VALLEY SIR: I received your favor of the 28th instant and sincerely condols with the Council and State on the loss of so worthy a citizen and President. I thank you exceedingly for your assurances of

. I thank you exceedingly for your assurances of co-operation whenever circumstances of public honor and safety make it necessary.

As yet I have had no official information of the Marquis De La Fayette's appointment as Amhassador from the Court of France to the United States or North America. But when I am advised of such an event, I shall take a pleasure in giving the Council previous notice of his departure from the army. the army.

the army.

I am sir, with all due respect, your most hble srvt,
G. Washington.
P. S.—Before I received your letter of the Ith instant I had determined on all necessary measures, in case of the enemies evacuating Philadelphia for the preservation of private property and the protection of the citizen of every denomination. I would beg leave to recommend it to the civil authority of the Commonwealth to de these tion. I would beg leave to recommend it to the civil authority of the Commonwealth to fix itself as soon as possible in the city. Till then the Council may be assured of my endeavors and at-tention to the peace, safety and good order of the place.

G. WASHINGTON.

A FINE AND A REPRIMAND. Decision of the Court Martial in the Case of General Lydecker.

WASHINGTON, May 8 .- The sentence general court martial in the case of Major G.
J. Lydecker, Corps of Engineers, who was tried
on charges arising out of the aqueduct tunnel
frauds, was made public this afternoon and is

frauds, was made public this afternoon and is as follows:

"To forfeit to the United States one hundred dollars (\$100) per month of his pay for nine months and to be reprimanded in orders. The Court is thus lenient in view of the evidence before it, that in spaces so confined as those above the arch in the tunnel it was almost impossible to secure thoroughly good work under the contract system imposed by law."

The sentence has been approved by the President in the following order:

EXECUTIVE MANSION.

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 2, 1889. WASHINGTON, D. C., May Z. 1889. SThe proceedings, findings and sentence of the court martial in the case of Major Garrett J. Lydecker, of the Corps of Engineers, are approved and will be carried into the effect. The gravamen of the offense of this officer was the neglect of a very high and important duty. It is not very important from a military standpoint whether a pecuniary loss did or did not result to the Government. But that very great loss and inconvenience have been indicted upon the community by the delays which have resulted from the failure to discover promptly the fanity and frauduent character of the work is apparent. The suggrestion that the strictest and most faithful supervision of the progress of such a work is poweriess to detect and correct the shams which are practiced by the contractors in this case, is a discredit to the engineering profession and entirely fladmissable. The sentence imposed by the Contractors to the covery suggestion that might mitigate the offense.

BENJAMIN HARRISON.

### Theoretic and Applied Science From the Chicago News. ]

During the recent lecture on scientific venti-ation in the Brooklyn institute five windows, one door, and two skylights were kept tightly closed, while part of the audience had to retire from the hall in search of pure air. Theoretic cience is a good thing, but applied scien

Another Chance for Boomer WASHINGTON, May 8 .- The President has ssued a proclamation reciting that the Fort Sis-seton (Dak.) military reservation is no longer needed for military purposes, and placing it under the control of the Secretary of the Inte-tior for disposition under the law.

When provisions grew scarce with the Okla

From the Syracuse Herald.)

be pretty.

STRAW hats are just now on top. RIDING habits should now be made of light SUMMER bonnets made of WATERING-PLACE gowns will probably be argely made up of crepe de chine. EMPIRE long coats for utility uses during the wet and chilly days of spring are stylish garleeve. Some of the designs are too peculiar to

ARECENT freak is the wearing on eithe wrist of a wristlet of black velvet faste a diamond initial. Ashes of roses and cafe-au-last waists are worn with Venetian jackets of raspherry or russet-red foule cloth. For summer wear all manner of clinging stuffs, and especially crepous, are in favor. In traveling costumes, however, fine light cloths will be used.

MEDIEVAL teagowns with cuirass bodice and full skirts are charmingly made of Mate-lasse satins. Antique sleeves and berthas are added to give a picturesque effect.

The importing houses are filled with stylish and elegant tollets and costumes of white wool of every description and designed for every possible occasion, from bridal gowns to bathing

CAMPBELL cloth, a new Scotch material of fine wool, with enough cotton in its weaving to keep it from shrinking, is popular. It is soft, pliant and very light, coming in pretty designs

Lace is much more popular this season than it has been for some years past. Recent patterns show either a straight edge or very deep points and are black, white or colored. Gauze

# A PENSIONERS' PROPOSAL.

He Offers to Undergo a Painful Surgica Operation in Order to Prove His Injurles-A Gauger Discharged for Alleged Distortion-Harrison's Amanuensis Gets a Good Office-Other Notes From the

WASHINGTON, May 3 .- A decision was day rendered in the case of James Dunn, last of Company B, Massachusetts Volunteers, an increase of pension. Claimant was sioned in 1884, at \$4 per month, for a give h wound in the back. Since that date wound in the back. Since that date saxe, all filed numerous applications for an ine saxe, all of which were rejected on the groum that the claimant was then receiving the fun amount of pension to which he was entitled in the law for the disability resulting from the gunshot wound of the back. In claiman is original declaration he alleges that he was wounded in the small of the back, "and the bullet was never extra ted," and in the subsequent application he states that "the hall struck the spice of the saxe."

Removed for Alleged Extertion Mr. Mason, Commissioner of Internal Revenue, said this afternoon that Gauger Britton, at Cincinnati, was removed because of his ex-tortionate practices with the distillers. The case against him, the commissioner said, was so flagrant that he was summarily dismissed. Mr. Mason said that gaugers are paid at the rate of 85 a day, and are allowed to do outside work for distillers, but are not expected to demand unreasonable pay for their services.

Between Gresbam and Miller. When the Supreme Court meets after the present recess, on May 13, an adjournment will follow for the summer vacation. A number of opinions will be delivered on the 18th, among opinions will be delivered to the arms, show, which is expected what is hoped to be a final decision in the celebrated Myra Clark Gaines case, from New Orleans. After the court adjourns the several justices will go out on their circuits for several weeks. Nothing certain is known in Suprama Court circles about the such that is the court in Suprama Court circles about the such that is the court of the several weeks. known in Supreme Court circles about the suc-cessorship to Justice Matthews; but it is the opinion of some of the persons connected with the court that the appointment lies between Judge Gresham and Attorney General Miller.

Harrison's Amanuensis Catches On. D. S. Alexander, who has been appointed district attorney for the Northern district of New York, is a native of Maine, but has for a number of years been a citizen of Ohio and In-diana. From the latter State he was appointed Fifth Auditor of the Treasury, our was removed from this position upon the advent of the Cleveland administration. He then settled in Buffalo, New York, and engaged in the practice of law. During the recent campaign he assisted in attending to the correspondence of Mr. Harrison, and was frequently spoken of in connection with the office of private secretary to the President. pointed Fifth Auditor of the Treasury, but

Not Mount for That Parage Assistant Secretary Tichener has made a ruling that the "emigrant fund" cannot time of their arrival and are permitted to proceed to their destination, but who subsequently become public charges by reason of sickness. The ruling was made in the case of Enoch Morgau, an English emigrant, who arrived in this country in 1888 and went to Scranton and remained there till he became sick, when he was sent to Philadelphia for the purpose of returning to England. The Philadelphia Emigration Commissioners requested authority to spend \$10 of the emigrant fund to pay his passage home. The department, however, held that it was not a case tor such action.

Railroad Passes Under Consideration On the 16th ultimo the Inter-State Commer-Commission issued a circular latter to about 27 railroad companies, order-ing them to appear before the commission to-day, to answer and set forth the persons and classes of persons, if any, to the persons and classes of persons, if any, to whom each of them have issued free passes or free transportation to persons other than its own officers or employes, and the officers and employes of other companies. The companies were also expected to oresont all the conditions and limitations connected therewith in each instance, and the manner of doing this branch of business. In response to his order there were present at the meeting to-day officials and counsel representing mostly Eastern roads, to the number of 35. Each road was called up separately, and represented the information called for by the order of the commission. Among the railroads represented were the called for by the order of the commission. Among the railroads represented were the Pennsylvania Railroad Company, the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad Company, the Delaware, Lackawanna and Western Railroad Company, the New York Central and Hudson River Railroad Company, and the Central Railroad Company of New Jersey. The commission finished its hearing for to-day about 1 o'clock, Several counsel, however, reserved the right to be heard on certain questions raised during the hearing.

# A NAVAL COURT MARTIAL.

A Commander Suspended for Trying to Have His Ship Repaired. Washington, May 3.—Secretary Tracy has approved the findings and sentence of the court martial in the case of Lieutenant Commander George Book, who was charged with absenting himself from his command without leave. He commanded the Pinta, and left her at Sitka, Alaska, and came to Washington to induce the Navy Department to authorize repairs necessary to make the vessel service-able.

able.

The court found him guilty of the charge and as approved, he stands sentenced to "Be suspended for two years from rank and duty, on furlough pay, and to retain his present number on the list of Lieutenant Commanders during

# THE PAIR SEX IN A FLUTTER.

An Indiana Man Develops a Mania for Hu, ging Women on the Street. TIPTON, IND., May 3 .- During the past fe days an unknown man has been prowling abo our streets after nightfall seeming to have our streets after inguital seeming to have a manis, for hugging women. One of his first victims was Mrs. J. R. Ogan, wife of a business man. Mrs. Gus Brandt, Miss Ella Ogan and others were also forcibly embraced by him. He conceals himself behind trees and lays in wait for women who may chance to be passing.

ing.

Last night the hugger attempted to catch
couple of ladies about 8 o'clock, but was frigh
ened away. He is described as a tall man wi
dark whiskers, and the authorities think th
have him located.

SONNETS.

All dream of rest, yet very few prepare
The way for it. Along the road to gain,
Day after day, year after year, with pain
We set our marks, and think some time to fare We set our marks, and think some time to fare.

To some sweet realm beyond the pale of care.

These goals we reach, set them ahead, and fei
Unrest anew, thus never peace attain;
Miss all its paths, nor any pleasure share.

A hundred wayside inns of vantage passed,
Footsore and weary, burdened, bent, and old,
Right on we plod and drag our hopes elate
Through all the mire of earth, to find, at last,
Instead of any happiness we hold,
We are but hollow mockeries of fate.

low frequent those that sit in places high Are counted great and noble; deeper glance Oft brands then lordlings of some circumstane That wear but gowns of greatness, walk and lie But in the haunts of greatness, whence they cry: "Benown!" So well their fortunes, plumed I chance,

chance, Along the road of glory swift advance, Along the road of glory swilt advance,
Until they think their shoulders gouge the sky.
The world hath many such; mere puppets they,
With whom the gods make busy meriment,
The while their large concerns requife them no
Gay peacocks of their time that strut their day;
Smooth bubbles, like to childhood's small content
Creates—blown, gazed at, broken, and forgot.

### A METROPOLITAN MELANGE.

No Rest for Poor McAlliste

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INEW TORK BUREAU SPECIALS.1

YEW YORK, May 2.—Governor Morris, Secrety of the Centennial Entertainment Comparing tites, tells the public in an afternoon newslaper what Ward McAllister does not know about centennials. Mr. Morris does this, he says, to shut up McAllister's yawp. According to Mr. Morris, Mr. McAllister was bounced from the Entertainment Committee because he did not know a business proposition when he saw it, and because he fled. Moreover, Mr. McAllister was stubborn and phenomenally stupid. His official reports Mr. Morris considers about as lucid as a Chinese puzzle. Altogether Mr. Morris pronounces Mr. McAllister as "congenitally incapable" of managing balls or anything else as he is of telling the truth.

Forty Little Italians in Hock. Forty little Italian boys and girls were brought to Castle Garden by a steamship from Naples, to-day, all under 12 years of age, and were dressed in gorgeous petticoats, trousers and jackets. All save three wore big, gold-plated earrings. The children were detained at the Garden because the Superintendent did not believe they had been fetched over to parents and other relatives in America, as was repre-sented. He thought they had been imported under contract, by Italian padrones here, to black boots or beg. A score or more of Italian sisters and cousins and aunts besieged the superintendent this afternoon, and begged for the release of their small relatives, who peaked out at them curiously through the cracks in the high board fence around the Garden. The children will be held, however, till the Commissioners of Emigration learn whether or not they were imported under contract.

The Highest of High Bridges Open. The new Washington bridge across the Har-lem river, near One Hundred and Eightieth street, was quietly opened to traffic, one week ago. It was opened so quietly, however, that in the excitement of the Centennial no one thought to speak of it. The Washington bridge is higher than the famous High Bridge. It is about half a mile long, and cost \$2,700,000. It rests upon two big steel arches which are supported by two massive stone piers. A small park has been laid out at each entrance. The ridge was begun four years ago.

Governor Buckner's Farewell Dinner. Logan C. Murray, President of the United states National Bank, entertained Governor Buckner, of Kentucky, at a farewell luncheon to-day. Among the big men who were there to bid Governor Buckner goodby, were: Govor-nor Gordon, of Georgia; Hon. Carl Schurz, Justice Field, of the United States Supreme Court; ex-Governor Norton, General Roger A. Pryor, John C. Calhoun and Cyrus W. Field.

Great Returns Expected on an Investment. Senator Fry, Congressman Dingley and several wealthy New Yorkers have just organized a company with \$100,000 capital, to operate an abandoned cotton mill in Lewiston, Me. C. J. Barker, formerly of the Bates Manufacturing Company, is President of the new company The Lewiston Cotton Goods Mill cost some \$900,000. Three yearsago the owner died, and the property since then has been in liquidation. The negotiations of the new company for the mill were consummated here last evening.

The steamship City of New York still leads in the ocean race which began at Sandy Hook last Wednesday morning. At 6 o'clock yester-day morning the steamship Lahn, which arrived here to-day, passed her. She was then moving at the rate of 18 knots an hour. Forty minutes later the Lahn passed the City of Rome. As the Lahn was steaming in the op-posite direction, the real difference in the time of the big racers must have been about an hour and 20 minutes. The Trave, which was in the race at the start, was not sighted by the Lahn.

Con d'Elia was one of the most prosperous Italians in Brooklyn a year ago. He owned a properly be used for the support or deportation liquor store, a greery and sub-let rooms in of emigrants who are in good health at the four or five tenement houses to his fellowis almost penniless. He was dispossessed to-day of the tenement houses for non-payment of rent, and the Sheriff may turn up any minute to close his saloon and grocery. A Dago ghost is the cause of Mr. d'Elia's downfall. Antoni Balinska was murdered in the corridor of one of Mr. d'Elia's tenement houses one night some time ago, and every night for the month following the Balinska ghost cut up all sorts of capers with the tenants. It kicked at doors, knocked on the walls, and tried to get into bed with the widow Balinska. This is what all the Italian symmen in the neithborhood said. Italian women in the neighborhood said, at least, and every one of the tenants seems to have believed it, for they gave up their lodg-ings in a hurry. Some moved out by night without paying their back rent. Others re-fused point blank to settle with Mr. d'Elia at all, because, they said, they had not bargained d'Elia's old tenants left, and no new ones came because the stories of the Balinska ghoet had been spread far and wide in "Little Italy." He paid his landlord for the big empty tenement houses for several months. This month his

# A NEW MESSIAH.

An Illinois Farmer Worshipped by a Selec Crowd of Followers. CHICAGO, May 3—About 30 people gathered in a private parlor in Lakeview last night. They were the disciples of the Rev. George Jacob Schweinfurth. This man has a large farm near Rockford, Ill., where his followers farm near Rockford, Ill., where his followers have been worshipping him as the Christ returned to earth. While tacitly accepting this homage and acting as a teacher of divins truth, he has never until last night openly put forth a claim to the Messiabship. A local paper reports his talk to his disciples, mostly women, as follows:

"How do I know I am Christ? I will tell you. I had a vision. When I was 5 years old I saw that I should meet a holy woman, who would be to me my spiritual mother and train me for a divine life. This vision came true. I met Mra. Beekman, I have not come to save those who don't want to be saved. I have come to make up my jewels."

It's No Wonder. From the New York World. It is not strange that the Viceroy of China is ill. Forty-seven doctors are attending him.

### PENNSYLVANIA PRODUCTS. An Altoona barber provides "pigs in the lover" puzzles to amuse his waiting custom-

MR. JOHN FORMAN, of Bachmanville, is 72 nd still able to crack a hickory nut with his HALIFAX, Dauphin county, has a crow with a taste for raw chicken. A day or two since it jumped on a full-grown hen, and began to nip bits out of her back. LITTLE DANNIE McCRAE, of Bradford, who

was poisoned by eating a calla lily stem, will re-cover, though the doctor still comes. The WILLIAM RAPPENSBERGER, of Newport vicinity, was shooting at rats, and his father retting in range a grain of shot lodged near his heart. The doctor is afraid to probe for it. SAMUEL MERKEY, of Schubert, Berks county, heard a great commotion in his rat trap, and was amazed to find in it a live hawk

that lemon juice was excellent to remove freckles. They applied it liberally at bedtime, and next morning they found the freckles gone and their faces raw and skinless. They are in seclusion now, and done up in ces

A THIEF was caught in the act of picking a pocket of a West Alexander business man, and when arrested had the bill which he had stolen in his right hand. He resisted all efforts of the officer to get the money from him, and when he arrived at the police station chewed the bill up and swallowed it. The gentleman, seeing that his money was gone, refused to prosecute.

A MAN went into one of the drug stores of Oil City the other day, and addressed the soda fountain clerk in this manner: "What is that stuff?" "Soda water," replied the clerk. "I guess I'll try a swig of it," as I never tasted the derned stuff afore." The soda was drawn and the man drauk the contents of the glass handed him, when he sarcastically said, "That comes as near like taking in the atmosphere as anything I ever drank, but "taint as good as old bourbon, or rye, if it does tickle your nose. Sweetened soap suds and wind, that's all 'tia."

### CURIOUS CONDENSATIONS.

-Eleven sea lions were caught at one me last week in a fishtrap at Portland, Ore. —John Cole, of Lapeer township, Michigan, has a hen which makes a regular thing of laying 6x8% inch eggs.

—A popular St. Louis girl recently received during a short spell of sickness 500 roses and 48 rounds of candy.

-It is estimated that Americans will spend \$40,000,000 in Europe this season, of which probably \$2,000,000 will go for tips.

Levi Johnson, an 80-year-old resident of Boston, Ga., who has been blind for 15 years, suddenly received his sight the other day.

—W. E. Mangham, of Zebulon, Ga., is 85 years old, and never fired a pistol or carried one. He is considered a wonder in his native State. —A New York paper says: One of the most suggestive incidents in the great military parade was the cheering called out by the play-ing of Dixie by the Southern bands.

-A man who was arrested in North Carolina for stealing another man's wife was dis-charged on the ground that, as a woman is not personal property, she cannot be the subject of -Several head of cattle were bitten by a

mad dog which passed through Merritt town-ship, Michigan, the other day. Some sheep which were attacked by the animal butted themselves to death. -A negro in Rankin county, Miss., who had stolen a mule, was given the option of go-ing to the penitentiatry or receiving a hundred lashes on his back. He chose the latter, taking the punishment like a stoic.

-A man in Wyoming Territory set out a

—A man in Wyoming Territory set out a fine peach orchard on a side hill. He had every prospect of a big thing until the other night, when the side-hill slipped into the valley and buried every tree six feet deep.

—A Georgia colorod man is very fond of alligators as a food product. He captures the saurians, and, after duly preparing them, cures them as he does his hams. In his smokehouse at present five or six of these reptiles are hung up undergoing the smoking process.

—A ghost has appeared near Akron Ala.

—A ghost has appeared near Akron, Ala., at a point on the railroad where a man was run over and killed last summer. A ghostly figure in white, with arms extended, was seen riding there by a young couple, who were out riding the other evening. Both were badly scared and so was the horse. -A wealthy citizen of Americus, Ga., received a letter from his daughter, who is at-tending a college for women, stating that she had gone to New York with a chap. The father suffered great mental excitement until he learned that "chap" was intended as an ab-breviation for chaperon.

-The lucky ticket which drew a horse at a raffle in the First ward at Bay City, Mich., the other day, was held by D. N. Trudell, who, when he saw the "full-blooded animal" which had been advertised, immediately accepted an offer of \$7 for it. The "trotter" will pull a garbage wagon against time. -Some 15 years ago Mrs. Abner Purcell,

living near Greenville, Mich., told her husband that if he deeded a certain piece of land in a particular way she could never speak to him again. He saw his opportunity and deeded the property in that particular manner, and since then his wife hasn't spoke to him once. —Various Governments pay their chiefs as follows: The United States, \$50,000 a year; Persia, \$30,000,000; Russia, \$10,000,000; Siam, \$10,-000,000; Spain, \$3,900,000; Italy, \$3,000,000; Great Britain, \$3,000,000; Morocco, \$2,500,000; Japan, \$2,300,000; Egypt, \$1,575,000; Germany, \$1,000,000; Saxony, \$700,000; Portugal, Sweden and Brazil, each \$000,000; France, \$200,000; Hayti, \$240,000; Switzerland, \$3,000.

-A Boston girl was married last week to a Chinaman named Charley June. The cere-mony proceeded with much difficulty. When the groom was asked if he would take the bride to be his "wedded wife," he became con-fused; the clergyman suggested that the usual reply was "I will," but it was not till the bride had warmly said, "Say yes or no, one or the other," that June came to time with "I will." -Aurelius Payne, of Ft. Wayne, Ind., solvens old, and declaring that he was as active as a kitten, called at the office of Justice of the Peace France the other afternoon and was married to his eighth wife. The woman's hard-like Criswan and her see 18 77 weeks

Alice Guiswan, and her age is 2 years. Fa has buried six of his wives, and in the other stance there was a divorce. The old man i his newest wife chapped hands and left the off of the Justice of the Feace looking very hap -Some days ago Byron Robertson, 3 Some days ago Byron Robertson, to ored man living near Greenville, Ga., found so log in a well he was digging. The log extended across the well a distance of 44 feet below the surface. After cutting through the log a bold vein of water was struck of pure freestone quality. The question of how and when the pine log reached its present location has puzzled the heads of all who have discussed the matter. The hill beneath which it was found seems to have been firmly planted just where it is for centuries.

-An old negro by the name of Lindsey, who was separated from his family during slavery times, has been traveling over the coun slavery times, has been traveling over the country for 23 years searching for them. A few years ago he met his son Allen at Paris, Tex., and an affecting reunion resulted. Through Allen he found Jim, a porter on the Missouri and Texas Railway. He then set out on foot to see his daughter Amanda, who is living at Denison. He is now spending a few days with her. The old man says he will devote the rest of his life to finding his wife.

-What appears to be an almost perfect pendulum in respect to simplicity is in opera-tion at the University of Glasgow. According to this plan a small shot of about 1.16 of an inch to this plan a small shot of about 1.16 of an inch in diameter is suspended by a single silk fibre (half a coccoon fibre) two fest long in a glass tube of three-fourths inch internal diameter, exhausting the latter to about one-tenth of a millionth of an atmosphere. Starting with a vibrational range of one-fourth inch on each side of its middle portion, the vibrations can be easily counted after a lapse of as many as 14 hours, a fact not realized elsewhere. -It is not often that a rooster has any

particular desire to take a bath, but a few days ago a Port Oram, N. J., bird showed that under the pressure of necessity, he could swim like a duck. He was chased by a dog to the like a duck. He was chased by a dog to the edge of the Morris canal, and, seeing no other mode of escape, he jumped in. The dog followed, but the rooster, using both wings and feet as propellers, forced rapidly through the water. An eye witness reports that the winged one was the faster swimmer, and when he struggled up the opposite bank the dog was a bad second. The triumphant tooster stood upon the shore and crowed for over a minute, and, while thus engaged in self-laudation, the dog landed and almost succeeded in catching him by the tail. He saved himself by fluttering into a tree.

# MEANT TO BE FUNNY.

Now that bustles are going out of fashion, it is to be hoped that the Indians will leave off their war whoops. -- Puck.

"The dinner last evening was wretched Katie, I was positively ashamed of it." "Fee'm, the policeman on this beat, who never complained before, said the same thing."—Filegends Blatter. Mr. Young-Peter, did the gentlemen drink all the wine at dinner last night?
Peter-Yes, sir; an' if it hadn't been for my foret'ought when de dinner beginned, I wouldn't had none myself. -- Time. Wiggins-If you're out of work, Jack,

why don't you try to get on a jury?

Jack Horrowit—Can't. I read the papers every
day, looking for a 60b; and what lawyer would
accept a man of that kind.—Judge. Went to Protest.—Oldmanson—Have you proposed to Miss Southmayd, as you said you should?

Northcote—Yes, I proposed yesterday—by note. Oldmanson—The note went to protest. Her father got hold of it.—Burlington Free Press. Ten years ago the Superintendent of an

Iowa railroad bocted a tramp cut of his office for having the cheek to ask for a pass. To-day that tramp is the Superintendent of that same road, while the men who lifted him on his boot keeps a staurant and sends him over lunches. Druggist-What is the matter with you? You seem excited.

Clerk—Heavens! I sold Mrs. Smiley strychning instead of potash.

Druggist—Well, if you aren't the most careless idiot I ever saw. You seem to have no idea of the value of strychnine.—America.

At the Fancy Ball .- Miss Britely-Why, Mr. Flatted, what possessed you to come to a fancy dress hall in ordinary evening dress? Are you supposed to represent any character?

Gus (who has a suspicion she is "guying" him)—I represent nothing, allow me to inform you.

Miss Britaly—Why, of course! How stupid I was not to know it!—Terre Heinte Espress.

Sorry, but His Presence Was Nece

please let me pass, sir?
Gorgeous Drum Major (flercely)--Dun't jostle
Me, str! Who are you?
Plainly Dressed Citizen (humbly, but still
struggling)--I'm only the orstor,--Chicago